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1. IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT THE STATEMENT IN PARA 1 REFTEL "THAT IN SOME INSTANCES THE PAY OF DOD FOREIGN NATIONAL EMPLOYEES EXCEEDED THAT OF COMPARABLE EMPLOYEES ON THE LOCAL ECONOMY" DOES NOT APPLY TO FRG. ALTHOUGH A LIMITATION IS STATED, A GENERAL CONCLUSION IS INFERRABLE THAT COULD PROVE UNNECESSARILY TROUBLE-SOME WITH RESPECT TO THE GERMAN SCENE. IF FRG IS NOT INCLUDED IN COMPARABILITY ISSUE DEPARTMENT RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS SHOULD SPECIFICALLY EXCLUDE THE FRG.

2. REFERENCE IN PARA 2 REFTEL TO POSSIBLE APPLICATION OF GERMAN LABOR AND SOCIAL LAWS TO DEPENDENTS IN GERMAN
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NATIONAL POSITIONS IS MISLEADING. FRG SIDE HAS PRO-MOTED IDEA OF EXTENSION OF GERMAN LABOR AND SOCIAL LAWS TO DEPENDENTS HOLDING LN POSITIONS. HOWEVER, IT IS THE VIEW OF THE DA THAT SUCH EXTENSION IS NOT AC-CEPTABLE UNDER CURRENT U.S. LAW. FRG SIDE IS NOT GIVING THAT ISSUE FIRST PRIORITY AND EMBASSY WOULD PREFER NOT TO ADDRESS IT GRATUITOUSLY. MEEHAN

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